

CHESAPEAKE ENERGY CORP
 Form 4
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
WARD TOM L

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
CHESAPEAKE ENERGY CORP [chk]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
6100 N WESTERN
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
05/05/2006

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
President and COO

OKLAHOMA CITY, OK 73118
 (City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4) | | |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|-----|-------|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | Code | V | Amount | (D) | Price |

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

| 1. Title of Derivative Security | 2. Conversion or Exercise | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any | 4. Transaction Code | 5. Number of | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security |
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| (Instr. 3) | Price of Derivative Security | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | | | | | | | | |
|-----------------|------------------------------------|------------------|------------|---|-------------------------|------|---|-----|-----|---------------------|--------------------|-----------------|--|
| | | | | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Contract (1) | (1) | 05/05/2006 | | 1 (1) | | J | | | | (1) | 05/07/2007 | Common Stock | (1) |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|-------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| WARD TOM L 6100 N WESTERN OKLAHOMA CITY, OK 73118 | X | | President and COO | |

Signatures

By: Jennifer M. Grigsby For: Tom L. Ward 05/09/2006

Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) See attached remarks.

Remarks:

On May 5, 2006, Mr. Ward entered into a forward sale agreement (the "Agreement") relating to up to 1,617,530 shares (the "Hedged Value") of the common stock of Chesapeake Energy Corporation (the "Company").

(a) If the closing price of the common stock on May 7, 2007 (the "Settlement Price") is less than or equal to \$28.0553 (the "Hedged Value"), the Settlement Ratio will be equal to the sum of the Hedged Value and the Upside Limit.

(b) If the Settlement Price is greater than the Hedged Value but less than \$42.4625 (the "Upside Limit"), the Settlement Ratio will be equal to the sum of the Hedged Value and the Upside Limit.

(c) If the Settlement Price is equal to or greater than the Upside Limit, the Settlement Ratio will be equal to the sum of the Hedged Value and the Upside Limit.

In consideration therefore, the Agreement provides that Mr. Ward will receive a purchase price of \$53,388,518.69.

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